

Eye Lioung Rong Telegraph.

No. 3317

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1892.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorised Capital..... \$1,000,000

Subscribed Capital..... \$300,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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Parrs Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ld).
The Commercial Bank of Scotland.
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With sub-Branch at Foochow.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened. Money
received on Deposit. Drafts issued. Bills
purchased and collected. Advances made on
Securities or goods in neutral Godowns. Usual
Bank Agency business undertaken.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per cent.

6 " " 4 "

3 " 3 "

CURRENT ACCOUNTS" 2 "

For Rates of Interest for other periods apply
to the Manager.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1892.

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CHRISTMAS SALE.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

OF

JAPANESE WARE.

THE Undersigned has received instructions
to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

ON

SATURDAY, the 11th December, 1892,

Commencing at 2.30 P.M.

at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street,

A VERY FINE COLLECTION OF
JAPANESE WARE,
AND

WORKS OF ART,

Comprising—

HANDSOME CLOISONNE VASES,
PLATES and PLATES in newest designs,
LACQUERED INLAID PANELS and PLA-
QUES, SATSUMA, TOKIO, OWATA and
other PORCELAIN VASES; JARS, TEA and
BREAKFAST SETS, &c., PORCELAIN
WALL PLATES, &c., &c.

HANDSOME INLAID CABINETS, LAC-
QUERED BRONZES, ALBUM COVERS,
WATER-COLORS, SUK DRESSING
GOWNS and JACKETS, SILK HAN-
KER-CHIEFS, WALLHANGINGS, EMBRO-
DERED SCREENS, ARMOUR, HELMETS,
SPEARS.

AND

A VARIETY OF OTHER ARTICLES.
Catalogues will be issued previous to Sale, and
the same will be on view on Friday next.

TERMS OF SALE—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1892.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

M. R. A. G. GORDON will sell by PUBLIC
AUCTION,

ON

SATURDAY, the 12th December, 1892,

at 11 o'clock A.M.

Instead of Thursday, the 11th December, 1892,
at 3 o'clock as previously advertised,
at the Premises.

THE FOLLOWING VALUABLE

LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,
Comprising—

ALL those PIECES or PARCELS of
GROUND situate at Victoria, aforesaid and being INLAND
LOT No. 717, as the same Premises are held
for the residue of a term of 999 years
from the 25th June, 1861, granted thereto subject to
the payment of the CROWN RENT payable in respect
thereof and the performance of the Crown Covenants to be performed in respect thereof and
subject also to the existing Lettings and Tenancies
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thereof (if any).

The Premises will be sold to one Lot.

The Sanction of the Government has been
obtained for the erection of Kerosene Godowns
on all the above Premises.

For further Particulars and Conditions of
Sale apply to

WOTTON & DEACON,

Solicitors.

35, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

or to

A. G. LURTON.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1892.

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Insurances.

THE FUNDS.

OF THE

STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

ARE invested entirely within the British
Dominions and are thus free from the
complications which might arise in time of war.
They now amount to Seven Millions Sterling,
and have increased 50 per cent in the last 15
years.

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents, Hongkong.
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GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000. \$833,333-33.
EQUAL TO \$318,000. OCT

RESERVE FUND

LEX SING, Esq. LO YUK MOON, Esq.
LOU TSO SEUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c. taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8, & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1892.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED..... \$7,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1892.

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For Sale.

FOR SALE.

BREAKFAST SAUSAGES...35 cents per lb
AUSTRIAN CORNED BEEF..... 12 "

ANDERSON & OLSEN,
23, Lee Yuen Street East.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1892.

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THEY LEAD THEM ALL.

THE CELEBRATED

CALIFORNIA WINES,
from the well-known Vineyards of Messrs.
KOHLER and VAN BURG; San Francisco,
and JULIAN P. SMITH (Olivina) Livermore,
California.

Guaranteed to be Pure and Unadulterated.
Pure BLACKBERRY BRANDY and fresh
Consignments of BARTLETT SPRING
MINERAL WATER by each Steamer.

Prices forwarded on application to
MACONDRAY BROTHERS & CO.,
Commission Merchants,
No. 30, Water Street,
Yokohama.

Yokohama, 12th August, 1892.

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FOR SALE.

THE GOOD S. S. "PEKIN" and S. S.
"KWONG-MO".
For Particulars apply to

SUI KEE CHAN.

53, Bonham Strand West.
Hongkong, 14th November, 1892.

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FOR SALE.

THE SCHOONER
"MONTARA,"
AS SHE NOW LIES IN YAU-MA-TI BAY.
Length..... 75 feet
Beam..... 17 feet
Depth of hold..... 78 feet
Registered Tonnage..... 75 tons.

(Owing to recent alterations, the carrying
capacity of the *Montara* has been increased to
about 120 tons dead weight.)
The *Montara* was built in Singapore, is most
solidly constructed throughout, with iron-
wood frames, has recently been thoroughly
overhauled under experienced European superin-
tendence, and is now in excellent condition.
She is a very fast sailer and the most suitable
vessel for the Canton kerosene trade, or would
make a first-class lighter.

For Particulars as to Price, &c., apply to
R. FRASER-SMITH,
6, Pedder's Hill.

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FOR SALE.

THE ENGINES AND BOILER OF THE
CHINESE GUNBOAT "CHOP-CHEUNG,"
AS THEY ARE AT ADAMSON DOCKS.

THESE ENGINES were constructed by Messrs. INGLIS & CO., of
Wanfleet, and are of the Compound. Inverted
Cylinder Direct-Acting Surface Condenser, &c., type.
Cylinders 30" and 36" dia., with a stroke of 40".
The Crank Shaft is 61" dia. at the Crank pin
and 77" dia. at the journal. The H.P. Piston
Rod is 3" and the L.P. 33" dia. The Piston
and Connecting Rod-bolts are all dia. All Pump
14" dia. by 13" stroke. Single Acting Circulating
Pump 8" dia. by 13" stroke, and Double Acting
Feed and Bilge Pump (one each) 3" dia. 18" x 13" stroke.

These Engines have been very little used and
are in thoroughly good order.

The Boiler is of the Horizontal, Multidouble
type, with three Furnaces and vertical Domes on
top. Its dia. is 10' 2" by 9' 6" long, external
dimensions: Furnaces, 2' 6" x 7' dia., Dome,
4' 6" dia. by 4' 6" high; Tubes, 16' in number, by
3" dia. It is in fairly good condition, having
recently undergone considerable repairs, and
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WE have always made good GINGER ALE, and we are now making the best. At various exhibitions and competitions in London and elsewhere, GINGER ALE made by the formula we now use has won 32 Prize MEDALS and CERTIFICATES of MERIT.

In 1890 competed and won against FOUR of the most famed Belfast makers.

The Analyst's report:

"It is of unexceptionally good quality."

"Particularly pleasant to the taste."

"Decidedly tonic and sustaining."

"In every respect most satisfactory."

ARTHUR HILL HASSAL, M.D.

The ideal temperance beverage.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK & CO., LTD.
Victoria Dispensary,
Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 17th October, 1892.

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

have just received

ex Steamers "BENLEDI" and "GANGES"

their first shipments of

XMAS CONFECTIONERY

Consisting of:-

CHOCOLATE CREAMES, VANILLA PRA-LINES, SUGARED ALMONDS, BURNT ALMONDS, NOUGAT, JUJUBES,

TURKISH DELIGHT,

PARISIANS,

&c., &c., &c.

DELICIOUS FRUIT JELLIES.
ASSORTED PINEAPPLE, LIME, DAMSON, GUAVA, RASPBERRY, STRAWBERRY, PLUM, &c.

CALLARD AND BOWSER'S BUTTER SCOTCH, ALMOND ROCK and EVERTON TOFFEE.

CADBURY'S CHOCOLATES

in great variety.

CRYSTALLIZED FRUITS, MUSCATELS, ALMONDS AND FIGS.

FANCY BOXES.

A large and varied Assortment of ARTISTIC DESIGNS.

XMAS CARDS,
ENGLISH, JAPANESE and CHINESE,
a splendid selection.

TOM SMITH'S CRACKERS,
A LARGE STOCK WELL ASSORTED.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.
Hongkong, 10th November, 1892.

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MARRIAGE.

On the 5th December, at St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, by the Rev. Rowland F. Cobbold, assisted by the Rev. A. Gurney Goldsmith, M.A., DOUGLAS W. CRADDOCK, son of Vaughan C. Craddock, of Forest Gate, Essex, to MARY EDITH (MOLLY) CROWN, daughter of Thomas L. Crown, of Skelton, Boroughbridge, Yorkshire.

DEATH.

On board the S.S. *Holloway*, in the Canton river, on the 5th December, by the accidental discharge of a revolver, A. FAULDS, second engineer, aged 33 years.

The orders of the day at the meeting of the Sanitary Board to be held to-morrow at 4 p.m., are as follows:—*Agenda*—Letter from the Colonial Secretary concerning—

The abatement of a nuisance arising from trade operations.

B. Bye-laws for the regulation of Bache-houses.

C. Bye-laws for regulating the construction, etc. of water-closets on private premises.

D. Bye-laws for licensing and regulating Common Lodging-houses.

2. Mortality Returns for the weeks ended the 26th November and 3rd December, 1892.

3. Report by Surveyor regarding the condition of the drains of houses Nos. 2 to 30, (even numbers), Possession Street; and No. 233, Hollywood Road.

4. Application for licences to keep swine.

A RIVIERE match was brought off the other day between teams representing Selangor and British North Borneo. The conditions were eight men aside, ten shots each at 100 and 200 yards respectively, with Salter rifles. After an interesting contest the North Borneo marksmen gained a creditable victory by 44 points. The scores were:—

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

Governor C. V. Creagh 75

Captain C. Pinson 75

Mr. S. H. Patson 74

Mr. A. Jones 74

Captain E. A. Barnett 67

Dr. J. H. Walker 66

Mr. A. Lorb 65

Mr. T. A. Paynt 64

Total score 560

SELANGOR.

Mr. Summers 69

Dr. Travers 69

Captain Syers 68

Mr. Oldfield 66

Mr. Crompton 63

Mr. Matio 62

Mr. Alexander 59

Mr. Cumming 59

Total score 510

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"This is an ideal hand," remarked the poker "sharp" under his brash, as he dealt himself four aces and the other fellow a quartet of monarchs.

Old Soak—How I love a good drink.
Soother—So do I, when it is free!

The first newspaper in Australia was the *Sydney Gazette* which was established in 1803. Now the first paper is the *Sydney Bulletin*.

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We are informed by the agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Carrill & Co.) that the "Shire" Line steamer *Pembroke* has left Singapore for this port yesterday, and is due on or about the 13th inst.

BV last night we observe that the American papers now refer to our friend Arnot Reid, the "greatest circulation" man, as "The Hon. Arnot Reid." They also comment on his boyish appearance.

An Emergency meeting of St. John Lodge, No. 618, S.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, 27th Street, this evening, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

MAILS Due:—

Bombay (Shan-tai) 7th instant.

Singapore (Benzal) 7th.

Bombay (Bengal) 8th.

American (Galle) 10th.

Indian (Wingang) 13th.

The latest news, says the New York *World*, from the Chinese Legation is that Mr. Ho says he will remain. But Tai Kwo Yin says: "Oh, ho! Mr. Ho, well see about that." Meanwhile Mikiewicz says: "What are you going to do about it?" and the good Elder has low.

As will be observed from a notice in our advertising column, the annual sale of fancy articles made by the inmates of the Italian Convent, Caine Road, will be held at the Convent on the 15th and 16th Inst. As the proceeds of this Fancy Fair will be devoted to the interests of this most useful and deserving institution, it is to be hoped that the community will accord their hearty support.

True the New York *Maritime Register*—"We can build ships of all kinds. We will find a way to run them as economically as the best managed in the world. But where are we to get the officers and sailors to man them? We want American officers and seamen. In the time of our success they were beyond all others in quality. And this is the kind we must get again. The way to build ships has been found. We must now set to work to get the American youth to take to the sea once more." Engage a few from the Far East for a start!

LAST night the tide rose in the harbour to an exceptional height. It washed over parts of Piccadilly, West, covered the "Pasig" wharf and wet the elephantine understandings of the European constable stationed on Pedder's Wharf, who, when asked, the cause of the unusual rise of water, said—"Faith, and its a tidal boore that dropt me if we'lls much higher." He's alive yet though. Fortunately there was next to no wind, but had a northerly "buster" swept over the colony a repetition of last December's disastrous storm would have been a dead certainty.

THE official returns of the consumption of tobacco in France last year show that the total was 74,314,000 pounds and the amount realised by the sale of it was about \$7,836,000, representing a consumption of nearly 2 pounds in weight and \$1.85 in value per head of the population. The cigars made in France realised a total of about \$104,000. Cigarettes made in France were sold to a total of about \$4,020,000 while tobacco for smoking in pipes fetched \$144,000.

ADELINA PATTI has been writing her memoirs and reminiscences with great frankness. On one occasion, she says, she was actually embarrassed by the late King of Spain. He was conducting her over the palace in company with the present Queen. Every four or five seconds his Majesty cast the singer's attention to some picture or trinket and exclaimed mournfully, "That belonged to my dear Mercedes" (his first wife). The Queen and the princess tried to change the subject but Alfonso XII was full of loving reminiscences, and he led the conversation.

We received from the Post Office this morning a number of Rangoon, Penang, and Singapore papers, dating from the 9th to the 21st ult. As no steamer has arrived from the South to-day up to the time of writing, I enclose the Acting Postmaster-General may fit to enlighten us as to where these papers have been for the past ten days. There is on the post office notice board a notification to the effect that the *Elektra* arrived from Singapore; as that possibly this is the *Elektra*'s mail. As a matter of fact, she arrived on Saturday night of Sunday morning last, and that it has taken our \$80,000 a year Post Office four days to find it out!

A DEPLORABLE accident occurred on board the China Navigation Co.'s steamer *Holloway* in the Canton river on the 5th inst., whilst en route from Hongkong to Canton. The second engineer Mr. A. Faulds, was making good some slight defects in his revolver, apparently having forgotten to withdraw the cartridges, when one of the chambers went off accidentally and the bullet went clean through his heart, causing instant death. The funeral took place at Canton on Tuesday and was attended by most of the captains, officers, and engineers in port, all the vessels flying their flags at half-mast. The deceased, who leaves a wife and family at home to mourn his loss, was in his thirty-third year and to all appearance had a promising career before him. He was very popular on the China coast.

The circus, it may be mentioned, does not leave Hongkong to-day, so that everybody who could not find a seat last night will have another chance to-night. Besides the usual performances every evening, there will be a special *matinée* on Saturday at 3 p.m. Go early and get a good place.

We are informed by the Agent of the O. & O. S. S. Co. that the steamer *Gaile*, with mails, etc., from San Francisco to the 16th ult., has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port on the 13th inst., at noon.

Hongkong Hotel clerk (to suspicious-looking guest)—Have you a trunk, sir?

Globe-trotter—What the devil do you mean? Do you take me for an elephant?

SAMUEL F. DE SOUZA, who was tried the other day in Singapore for breach of trust as a public servant, was found guilty and on the 10th ult. sentenced to eighteen months' rigorous imprisonment.

There will be a regular annual meeting of the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South China, held in the Masonic Hall, 27th Street, on Thursday, the 29th inst., at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely.

A SAM FRANCISCO paper says that there is a theater in London which gives away a necklace with every ticket sold, and remarks—if we keep on building more theaters in Frisco it will take the thousands who went, and many had to be refused admission. Outside the tent was the thousands considering the wild animals, which attracted universal admiration. Two splendid tigers, one of them probably the largest captive tiger on earth (and a very near relative of our Tytan friend) for which we are informed \$5,000 were offered by a showman who wished to have it at the Chicago exhibition; a very fair specimen of the common or garden lion; two immense black bears, two clever performing monkeys, and a number of small monkeys and other animals, make up a really fine show even without baving the "greatest circus on earth" thrown in. The animals were in good condition after their voyage. The panther, it is said, while on the *Empress* severely scratched several coolies who persisted in going too near, in defiance of warnings.

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MARRIAGE.
On the 6th December, at St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, by the Rev. Rowland F. Cobbold, assisted by the Rev. A. Gurney Goldsmith, M.A., DOUGLAS W. CRADDOCK, son of Vaughan C. Craddock, of Forest Gate, Essex, to MARY EDITH (MOLLIE) CROWN, daughter of Thomas L. Crown, of Skelton, Boroughbridge, Yorkshire.

DEATH.

On board the S. S. *Hoshoo*, in the Canton river, on the 5th December, by the accidental discharge of a revolver, A. FAULDS, second engineer, aged 33 years.

The orders of the day at the meeting of the Sanitary Board to be held to-morrow at 4 p.m., are as follows:-
Agenda.—Letter from the Colonial Secretary concerning—

The abatement of a nuisance arising from trade operations.

B. Bye-laws for the regulation of Bake-houses.

C. Bye-laws for regulating the construction, etc. of water-closets on private premises.

D. Bye-laws for licensing and regulating Common Lodging-houses.

2. Mortality Returns for the weeks ended the 26th November and 3rd December, 1892.

3. Report by Surveyor regarding the condition of the drains of houses Nos. 2 to 30 (even number), Possession Street; and No. 233, Holloway Road.

4. Applications for licenses to keep swine.

A RIFLE match was brought off the other day between teams representing Selangor and British North Borneo. The conditions were eight men aside, ten shots each at 100 and 200 yards, respectively, with Solder rifles. After an interesting contest the North Borneo marksmen gained a creditable victory by 44 points. The scores were:-

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

Governor C. V. Creagh 75
Captain C. Pinson 75
Mr. S. H. Patterson 74
Mr. A. Jones 74
Captain E. A. Barnott 67
Dr. J. H. Walker 66
Mr. A. Lut 65
Mr. T. A. Pavitt 62

Total score 560

SELANGOR.

Mr. Summers 60
Dr. Travers 60
Captain Syers 60
Mr. Oldfield 65
Mr. Crompton 65
Mr. Martin 62
Mr. Alexander 60
Mr. Cumming 59

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engine-room stores; and if bathing is made compulsory on the seamen, I shouldn't wonder if additional pay were demanded for the extra duty. On the whole, there were many good points dealt with in Mr. Murphy's paper.

The extent to which coal mining has developed on the Continent seems little understood by the leaders of our own miners, who seem inspired with the belief that all the world is dependent on Great Britain for supplies of fuel. Take Germany alone. In the Westphalian coalfields there are now between 135,000 and 140,000 miners at work, as compared with 105,000 four years ago. These men earn an average of about 3s. 6d. per month, but the "shift" is an indefinite term varying from six to twelve hours, according to circumstance and locality. This average, therefore, gives one no indication of the actual earnings per hour and the incidence of wage upon the price per ton. In Upper Silesia longer hours are worked than in Westphalia; it is said that in these coalfields 50 per cent. of the miners work twelve hours a day bank to bank, and that only to per cent. of them work eight hours or less. In Lower Silesia 79 per cent. of the miners work ten hours a day, 12 per cent. work a shift of twelve hours, and only 9 per cent. draw the line at eight hours. No wonder the coal production of Germany has increased so much as to enable the German coalowners to present a combined front against English and Scotch coal.

The extent to which yachting has increased on the Clyde can best be realised by those who can compare the boats now to be seen at winter meetings with those of a dozen years ago, or even less. At the present moment there are not fewer than 200 pleasure vessels at winter berths, or beached, at the various Clyde shelters, and among these are some of the fastest racers in the world. The Holy Loch has about half-a-hundred, and Gourock Bay about the same. The Gourock and Port-Bannatyne Bay meetings are fully taken up, and at Fairlie (as at Sandbank and Gourock) new buildings have had to be run up to take in some of the crowd of small craft and their gear. Beaching space is everywhere at a premium, and the owners of slips, boat-sheds, and repaving yards are now enabled to do good business all the year round. Building for next season has not yet begun, and will probably not begin until the Y.R.A. have decided on the disputed point of measurement—whether the present rule is to be renewed or altered. In America, however, they have already begun with the new *Herschel*, designed by Mr. Nathaniel of that ilk. She is to be of steel, 84 ft. load-water-line, and so designed as to be re-rigged as a cruising schooner after the racing season is over. Her primary appearance, however, is to be as a racing cutter, in which capacity she is to come over here next season to win back the two American cups won by the *Genesta* and at present held by the *Wander*.

The superior economy of the triple-expansion type of engine, as compared with the ordinary compound, has not only been found amply sufficient under ordinary circumstances to induce owners and builders of new steamers to adopt it in all its fulness, but even in times of depression and gloomy outlook like the present, owners of vessels having the ordinary-compound engines see it to be their advantage to substitute the newer type or have the old "converted" so as to work on the triple principle. Several "conversion" contracts are now being executed in Clyde workshops, and more are promised. An interesting example has just left the hands of Messrs. Blackwood & Gordon, engineers and shipbuilders, Port Glasgow, in the steamer *Bucaphalus*, belonging to the Australian and Indian fleet of Messrs. Archibald Currie & Co., Melbourne. Her engines, of this two-cylinder ordinary compound kind, have been rearranged and supplemented to constitute modern four-cylinder high-pressure triple-expansion engines, by placing two 15 in. cylinder on top of the previously existing ones, which were, respectively, 32 in. and 62 in. diameter; and by reducing the low-pressure cylinder to 64 in. diameter by lining the interior. Steam of 160 lb. pressure is supplied from two new steel boilers, each having three furnaces of Purvis' patent ribbed type. The whole change has been effected with economy and with no interference to the general arrangement of the vessel's machinery-room, funnels, or stakeholders. The *Bucaphalus* was tried for speed, etc., on the 25th ult., the results proving a marked advance on the previous order of things in respect of speed and consumption, and giving much satisfaction to the owner's representatives.

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Dr. Sigurd Ibsen, the son of the famous Norwegian writer, is soon to be married to the daughter of Björnstrøm Björnson, the poet-politician of Norway.

The last surviving officer who took part in the battle of Waterloo is dead. The battle was fought June 18th, 1815, and this officer survived it seventy-seven years.

All recruiting for Irish Constabulary has been stopped. This is looked upon as a prelude to the disbandment of the force under the Home Rule scheme.

Louis Kosuth, the Hungarian patriot, who has been living in Italy during recent years, is reported to be in an alarming state of debility. He is ninety years of age.

A sow on a Kentucky farm recently gave birth to nine pigs of which one was born with only three legs, while the right forefoot of another is that of a dog, with sharp claws.

It is reported from Germany that Russian Jews will be sent to the United States, despite quarantine and other restrictions, as long as the United States will receive them.

Four men in Vienna assert that diphtheria is as prevalent among smokers as those who deny themselves the luxury of the weed.

Thirty-five millions of people die every year—few of them from old age. In a doctor's opinion nearly as many people shorten their career by over eating as from excessive drinking.

A remarkable shower of volcano ashes recently occurred in several parts of Fjoland. The ground in some places is stated to have been covered to the depth of nearly an inch.

Considerable interest has been awakened among the literary circles of Berlin by the sale of an edition de luxe of the complete works of Frederick the Great for 2000 marks.

The organist at a Cardiff church found several of the notes sounding. An examination revealed the fact that six birds, including a robin, had built their nests in the pipes.

By a law passed July 8, 1892, the use of the metric system of weights and measures is obligatory throughout Spain and her colonies, in private as well as in public contracts.

The German Minister of Education has sent to the Geographical Society of Berlin copies of two letters written by Columbus, which were recently found in an old convent in Guatemala.

A glass factory at Liverpool has "glass journal boxes for all its machinery, a glass floor, glass shingles on the roof, and a smokestack 100 feet high built wholly of glass bricks, each a foot square."

Three hundred thousand people in Europe suffer from blindness. Spain appears to be the greatest sufferer in this respect. An occultist says that scarcely one in twenty of watchmakers suffers from weak eyes.

Colonel Powell of the United States Army is authority for the statement that among the Jeunesse a man is never permitted to speak to his mother-in-law except through the intermediation of a third person.

Seals, when basking, place one of their number on guard to give the alarm in case of danger. The seals' quick-clap of their flippers on a rock. Ribbits signal with their forepaws and have regular signals and calls.

A statistician of the German Government a short time ago investigated the records of the Department of Compulsory Insurance, and, according to his investigation, the most unfortunate day is not Friday, but Monday.

When the social charms of the Church Army is co-opted there will be a lab' home in touch with every prison and casual ward in England, so that no able-bodied man need go forth without the chance of making a fresh start in life.

In the line of the unexpected, that being Emperor William's characteristic rôle, that monarch has bought a picture of pilgrims washing their feet at the Holy Well, and presented it to the Mosque of Omar at Jerusalem.

Philip Gilbert Hamerton, who has studied the question thoroughly in France, ascribes the decrease in marriage there to the greater difficulties now experienced in maintaining a wife in a satisfactory style as compared with former times.

Thotib Zola's books did not secure him admission to the charmed circle of the Academy, the crowning honor coveted by every French author, they have brought him the consolation of wealth, for it is estimated that his royalties have amounted for twenty years to \$50,000.

The researches of Sir Reginald Purcell, the learned Clerk of the Table of the House of Commons, have fixed the exact spot in Westminster Hall where Charles I sat during his trial. The position of the King's chair is marked by a brass tablet at the east end of the hall.

The city of Bremen has spent 30,000,000 marks, or about \$2,500,000, in making the Weser navigable. Big steamships now go up to the city, instead of being obliged to discharge cargo and land passengers at Bremerhaven, necessitating for the latter a car-ride of a couple of hours or so.

An unexpected occurrence, or rather exposé, will probably prove at least a check to the swindling system in London. A Miss Hicks, a delegate to the recent Trades Congress held in that city, is in debt that the trouvers of the Duke of York had been made next door to a house containing fever patients.

Some valuable information comes from St. Petersburg as the result of close study of the cholera. One investigator writes: "A great many post-mortem examinations have been made on cholera patients in St. Petersburg and I believe I am right in saying that in every case signs of chronic or acute indigestion were present, but generally 3 tonic."

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Box plan on view at KELLY & WALSH, where Seats can be booked.

ROBERT LOVE, Acting Manager.

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FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA, VIA INLAND SEA.

The Share Market.

LATEST QUOTATIONS

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—115 per cent, sales and sellers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £7,100, paid up—35 per cent, dis. sales and buyers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$200 per share, sellers.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—\$21, sellers.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$20, sellers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 £—4 per cent, premium, sellers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 £—2 per cent, premium, buyers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 £—14 per cent, premium.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$82 per share, buyers.
China Traders' Insurance Company—\$56 per share, sellers.
North China Insurance—Tls. 225 per share, sellers.
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$105 per share, sellers.
Yangtze Insurance Association—\$102, sellers.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$87 per share, buyers.
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$30, sellers.
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—\$8 per share, buyers.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—50 per cent, discount, sellers.
Douglas Steamship Company—\$37 per share, sellers.
The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$77 per cent, premium, sales and sellers.
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$143 per share, sales and buyers.
Hongkong Hotel Company—\$23, sales and buyers.
Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$50.
The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited—\$44 per share, sellers.
The Shameen Hotel Co., Limited—\$5 per share, sellers.
Punjum and Sunghee Dua Samantan Mining Co.—\$24 per share, sellers.
The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited—30 cents per share, sales and buyers.
New Imuris Mining Co., Limited—\$24 per share, sales and buyers.
The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—nominal.
Tongqui Coal Mining Co.—\$10 per share, sales and buyers.
The Jelchu Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sales and sellers.
The Selama Tin Mining Co., Limited—5 cents per share, sales and sellers.
London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ltd.—\$15 nominal.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$130 per share, sellers.
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$35 nominal.
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$15 per share, sellers.
Dakin, Crucksbank & Co., Limited—\$2 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$5 per share, sellers.
The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$8 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$6, sales and sellers.
The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$26 per share, sellers.
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$21 per share, sellers.
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$45 per share, sales.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$100 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Gas Company—\$105 per share, sales and buyers.
Hongkong Ice Company—\$68 per share, buyers.
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$65 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$5 per share, sellers.
The Green Island Cement Co.—\$48 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$41 per share, sales and sellers.
The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—\$25 per share, nominal.
The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$35 per share, buyers.

EXCHANGE.

On LONDON—Bank, T. T. 2/81
Bank Bills, on demand 2/84
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/9
Credits at 4 months' sight 2/92
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/98

On PARIS—
Bank Bills, on demand 3/42
Credits, at 4 months' sight 3/52

On INDIA—
T. T. 2/20
On Demand 2/21

On SHANGHAI—
Bank, T. T. 7/1
Private, 10 days' sight 7/2

On HONGKONG—
T. T. 2/20
Private, 10 days' sight 2/21

On HONGKONG HOTEL—
T. T. 2/20
Private, 10 days' sight 2/21

VISITORS AND RESIDENTS AT THE MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

Mr. H. Allen, Mr. E. S. Joseph, Mr. Beadle, Mr. S. T. Benjamin, Mr. W. Macbean, Mr. Hart-Buck, Mr. E. K. Chaudier, Rev. F. Cobbold, Mr. D. F. McCarthy, Mr. Cochran, Mr. & Mrs. C. Cohen, Mr. D. Crawford, Miss Hong, Miss C. G. Hogg, Mr. Taylor.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

TAI-VICK, German steamer, 903, N. Emke, 6th Dec., Wuhu 30th Nov., Rice—Moyer & Co.
VICTORIA, Norwegian steamer, 163, J. Svendsen, 6th Dec.—Canton 6th Dec., General—Wieder & Co.
AJAX, British steamer, 1,407, Rawlings, 7th Dec.—Japan and December, General—Butterfield & Swire.
SUTLBY, British steamer, 2,103, W. D. G. Worcester, R.N.R., 5th Dec.—Shanghai and December, Mails and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
TAICHOW, British steamer, 1,837, J. Sommer, 7th Dec.—Canton 9th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
HONGAY, British steamer, 1,653, James Young, 7th Dec.—Chinkiang, and Wuhu 2nd Dec., Rice and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
TAIWAN, British steamer, 1,549, R. Nelson, R.N.R., and Dec.—Sydney, N.S.W., 10th Nov., General—Butterfield & Swire.
VELCO, German steamer, 636, H. R. Gontard, 28th Nov.—Canton 20th Nov., General—Wieder & Co.
ZAPERO, British steamer, 675, A. W. R. Cobban, 4th Dec.—Manila 1st Dec., General—Shaw & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

TAILOU, German steamer, for Swatow.
GENEZAIS, British steamer, for Sagon.
HAIHAN, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
ALTEUSE, German steamer, for Holbow, &c.
CHINA, German steamer, for Sagon.
Gov. Gen. Jacob, Dutch steamer, for Singapore.

DEPARTURES.

December 6, RIO, German steamer, for Wuhu, 6th Dec., Chow-chow-foo, German steamer, for Canton.
December 6, TAIWAN, British str., for Canton.
December 6, ENOS SOULE, American bark, for New York.
December 7, TAYLICK, German str., for Canton.
December 7, DIAULROS, German steamer, for Kobe.
December 7, Gov. Jacob, Dutch steamer, for Singapore, &c.
December 7, WOOSUNG, six, from Swatow.—39 Chinese.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per DIAULROS, str., from Shanghai, &c.—50 Chinese.
Per WOOSUNG, six, from Swatow.—39 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The British steamer *Worthing* reports that she left Swatow on the 6th instant. Had strong monsoon and high following sea throughout.

The British steamer *Diamond* reports that she left Shanghai on the 1st instant, Fuchow on the 5th, and Amoy on the 6th. Had very strong monsoon and high sea.

The British steamer *Kwittin* reports that she left Chinkiang on the 3rd instant. Experienced strong north-east winds with high sea to Lammocks; thence had moderate winds and sea till arrival.

The British steamer *Hongay* reports that she left Chinkiang, and Wuhu on the 2nd inst. Had moderate northerly winds and sea to Tamsui; thence had fresh north-east winds and moderate sea.

The British steamer *Ajas* reports that she left Japan on the 2nd instant. On the 3rd and 4th had light to moderate north-west winds and dull overcast weather. On the 4th had moderate north-east winds and dull overcast weather. On the 5th and 6th had strong north-east winds with high sea.

Post Office.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

ALWINE, German steamer, 400, C. Petersen, 5th Dec., Pakhoi and Dec., and Holow 4th, General—Wieder & Co.

CATHERINE APAR, British steamer, 1,377, J. G. Ollent, and Dec., Calcutta 16th Nov., and Singapore 24th, General—D. Sisson, Sons & Co.

CHINA, German steamer, 1,400, P. Voss, 1st Dec.—Canton 1st December, General—Meichen & Co.

CHUSAN, German steamer, 623, W. W. Webb, 1st Dec.—Hankow 1st Dec. and Holow 3rd Dec. and General—A. R. Marti.

CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO, American steamer, 1,548, J. T. Smith, 1st Dec.—San Francisco 10th Nov., and Yokohama 25th, Mails and General—P. M. S. Co.

ELIAS, German steamer, 747, Christensen, 2nd Dec.—Canton 1st December, General—Büttner & Swire.

EMPIRE OF JAPAN, British steamer, 3,000, Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R., 1st Dec.—Vancouver via Yokohama 25th Nov., Kobe 20th, and Shanghai 23rd December, General—C. P. Railway Steamship Co.

FAME, British steamer, 117, Captain McIsaac, Hongkong Government tender.

FEDERICO, German steamer, 742, Th. Nissen, 4th Dec.—Sagow 27th November, Riot—Meichen & Co.

HATIAN, British steamer, 1,152, V. D. Goddard, 6th Dec.—Fuchow 2nd Dec., Amoy 5th and Swatow 3rd, General—D. Laporte & Co.

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HUPPER, British steamer, 845, S. Quail, 19th Nov.—Java 6th November, Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.
KIN, German steamer, 811, M. W. Kutzfeld, 1st Dec.—Nagasaki 26th November, Coal—Meichen & Co.
MADROW, British steamer, 827, B. Branch, 2nd Dec.—Sandakan 25th Nov., General—Butterfield & Swire.
MONKTON, British steamer, 870, H. Deans, 3rd Dec.—Hongkong 22nd Nov., and Amoy 3rd, General—Yuen Fat Hong.
NIORA, German steamer, 1,450, E. G. Pfaff, 6th Dec.—Kobe 1st Dec., General—Siemsen & Co.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

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BELGE (via Honolulu) Thursday, 19th Jan., '93.

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CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO Saturday, 10th Dec.

CITY OF PEKING Saturday, 31st Dec.

CITY OF HONGKONG Tuesday, 10th Jan., '93.

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